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FOR SETTLEMENT PURPOSES ONLY

Mr. Clifford Villa Assistant Regional Counsel United States Environmental Protection Agency 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, ORC-158 Seattle, WA 98101

Re: Wallace Yard and Spur Lines, Shoshone County, Idaho

Dear Cliff:

As you know, we represent BNSF Railway Company regarding the above matter. BNSF received EPA's October 1, 2008, "Notice of Potential Liability and Use of Special Notice Negotiation Procedures." This letter confirms that BNSF will participate in future negotiations and is currently preparing a good faith offer which we intend to submit by November 30.

Please call if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

K&L GATES LLP

Craig S. Trueblood

cc: Pamela Nehring, BNSF Bruce Sheppard, BNSF